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October 17, 1973

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Dear Mr. Gillespie:

The undersigned has been given the letter of September 27 directed to Mr. Hance the president of the above company that is working on the road and drainage problems that you make mention of.

For the past 18 years Mr. Hance has been excavating material from his property and has further attempted to maintain the road and the drainage thereof.

In that time, the drainage ditches and river bottom have been changed from time to time for various land owners in the area and Mr. Hance has attempted to maintain the water drainage into the ditches as they were changed. There is an abundance of clay material that is washed down with run off and this material fills up the drainage ditches and causes them to overflow and divert water into the road and elsewhere.

The present excavation and grading that is being conducted is no more than the cleaning of the present ditch and drainage system. If we were to install culverts it would allow the water to cross the road and would only divert the water back into the same channels that it is presently following.

I have enclosed a simple drawing so that you can understand what I am saying. We have been careful not to change the channels of any water that comes off the mountain, and I should add that all of the water as far as we can see goes into and through the farm that you talk about.

Mr. Hance has used this road for the past 18 years and we presently maintain this road and keep it in condition for heavy trucks. You can be assured that Mr. Hance or this company will do nothing to endanger your property and, or course, we expect the same from your people.

Sincerely yours,

UNITED STATES ORGANIC FERTO CORP.

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Howard E. Turrel General Manager

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